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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Examiner's action mailed June 21, 2000, be extended for five months to and including December 21, 2000.

Enclosed is a check for \$945.00 for the required fee. If there are any other charges, or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

Respectfully submitted,

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